

February 2022

Office of Integrated Health Health Supports Network

The Office of Integrated Health – Health Supports Network Regional Community Nursing Meetings

“A safe space for nurses to discuss challenges, experiences, and ask questions.”

Goals

- To ensure individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are receiving needed services.
- To provide a forum in which nurses (and others) can discuss ideas, challenges, policy needs (e.g. health policies, which affect individuals with IDD, to bring policy needs forward.
- To provide a forum for caregivers to interact with state agency representatives, to express concerns, develop educational tools and resources, and further enhance train-the-trainer models.

Region 1 – February 2, 2022

10am -12:00pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://dbhds->

virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsc-mtrD0sGYOs7lkNq_uvZoMnd9ISGBA

Community Nurse Leader:

Kevyn Burn- kburn@wallresidences.com

February Meetings Dates

Consistent with VDH and CDC guidance for gatherings which recommend 6 ft. social distancing and outdoor events, Regional Nursing Meetings will continue to be virtual.

Region 4 – February 14, 2022

11am - 1:00pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://virginia->

[gov.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsc-ggpzltHr1CP8Exf8S_EG6gNW04cFQ](https://virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsc-ggpzltHr1CP8Exf8S_EG6gNW04cFQ)

Community Nurse Leader:

Jeannette Gholson- jgholson.thc@gmail.com

Region 2 – February 16, 2022

10am - 12:00pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://dbhds->

virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltc-grj0tE6oc46hxXkaOfA0XrwJeyHI

Community Nurse Leader:

Beatrice Claiborne - bclaiborne@mycri.org

Region 3 – February 18, 2022

10am - 12:00pm

<https://dbhds->

virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltce6przsqG7bcXVRZdd4wYND_M5uJc-0

Community Nurse Leader: TBD

Region 5 – February 28, 2022

10am - 12:00pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://virginia->

[gov.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdeygrzktGxf3mJ9h83ZcdOGdsHYIKHo](https://virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdeygrzktGxf3mJ9h83ZcdOGdsHYIKHo)

Community Nurse Leader: Marcia A. Lindsay-

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February 2022 Meeting Agenda

Virtual Meeting Platform:

- In cooperation with VDH Guidance on COVID-19 relating to group gatherings, the Regional Nursing Meetings will continue to be held in ZoomGov or by WebEx until further notice. The ZoomGov registration links are included in this agenda. You must register to receive the meeting URL link, password, and phone access to the meeting. Registering prior to the meeting date is recommended, to avoid technical issues on the day of the meeting.

Presentation:

- This month our focus will be on the New DBHDS OIH-HSN “My Care Passport”, the three Advocacy Tip Sheets and how to access the Commonwealth of Virginia Learning Center (COVLC). We will discuss the release of the documents to the community to be used as communication tools in acute care settings, how to complete the My Care Passport, and the use of the advocacy tip sheets, along with the training presentation for community provider agencies available on the COVLC and how to access it.

Issues and Concerns Relevant to each Region:

- Open Group Discussion. Please feel free to share general issues or concerns you may be having, to obtain suggestions, resources and feedback from others. The meeting is a safe and supportive place for those providing care to individuals with IDD. Please do not share any personal health information about any individual.

Monthly CNE Opportunity: OIH - HSN Health & Safety Alert Review and Discussion:

- A Health & Safety Alert with quiz/evaluation will be reviewed each month during the meeting. This month’s CNE topic is My Care Passport and Advocacy Tip Sheets. **To receive 1 free CNE, you must attend the meeting and return the quiz/evaluation by email, fax or text.** Just scan or take a pic of your completed quiz with your smart phone, and text or email it to your regional RNCC, with your name and email address clearly displayed. Your CNE certificate will be emailed directly to you.

NOTE: Anyone can attend the Regional Nurses Meeting of their choice. You do not have to attend the Regional Nursing Meeting where you work or reside. Simply register with the link provided to attend.

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The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) recommends COVID-19 testing for the following people:

- ✓ People who have [symptoms of COVID-19](#).
- ✓ People who have come into [close contact](#) with someone with COVID-19 should be tested to check for infection at least 5 days after they last had close contact with someone with COVID-19. The date of the last close contact is considered day 0.
- ✓ People who are not [up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines](#) who are prioritized for expanded [community screening](#) for COVID-19.
- ✓ People regardless of vaccination status who have been asked or referred to get testing by their school, workplace, healthcare provider, [state, tribal, local, or territorial health department](#).
- ✓ People who plan to [travel](#) or who have recently returned from travel with [some exceptions](#) [\[Español\]](#) for [fully vaccinated](#) [\[Español\]](#) people
- ✓ If possible, people who participate in activities that are higher risk for COVID-19 exposure (e.g. attending large events where social distancing is not possible, or being in crowded indoor settings).
- ✓ If possible, people who plan to visit someone at high-risk for developing severe COVID-19.

Beginning January 15, 2022, individuals with private health insurance coverage or covered by a group health plan who purchase an over-the-counter COVID-19 diagnostic test will be able to have those test costs covered.

Insurance companies and health plans are required to cover 8 free over-the-counter at home tests per covered individual per month.

There is no limit on the number of tests, including at-home tests, that are covered if ordered or administered by a health care provider following an individualized clinical assessment, including for those who may need them due to underlying medical conditions.

To learn more about COVID-19 testing requirement visit the VDH website at: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/protect-yourself/covid-19-testing/>

Winter 2022 OIH - HSN Training Sessions Schedule

NEW *The My Care Passport and Advocacy Tip Sheets Training - Thursday February 24, 2022 between 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.*

Everything you need to know about My Care Passport and the three advocacy tip sheets.

Register in advance for this training session: <https://virginia-gov.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltcOuorTstE5P0t7lnrs50SAoCarGM9uk>

- FALLS - Tuesday March 8, 2022 between 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Everything you need to know about falls related to the individual with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Register in advance for this training at: <https://dbhds-virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-CoqD4jHfVEmKeM6bnzLGC9edMRXjo>

Skin Integrity & Pressure Injury - Thursday March 17, 2022 between 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Everything you need to know about improved skin integrity and avoiding pressure injuries.

Register in advance for this meeting: https://dbhds-virginia.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-iqrj0iHMX6ENTR55fyl_k2RS9lquM

NEW *Emergency Preparedness Part 3: Fire Emergencies - Tuesday March 22, 2022 between 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*

Everything you need to know about fire emergency preparedness and safety during a fire emergency.

Register in advance for this training: <https://virginia-gov.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltduirrz4sH-KzpxKsUe-4TdGehJO6lqU>

After you register and are approved to attend, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to join the training on the day of the course. If the course capacity has been met, you will receive an email with an alternate course date. So, register early!

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